



In re Application

MEGUMI YOSHIDA

Application No.: 09/422,565

Filed: October 21, 1999

Docket No. 03560.002473.

Examiner: M. Tran

Group Art Unit: 2179

Date: April 18, 2006

For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING CHARACTERS, AND STORAGE MEDIUM STORING CHARACTERS PROCESSING PROGRAM

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional claims fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 39	MINUS	** 43	= 0	x \$25 \$50	-0-
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 4	MINUS	*** 4	= 0	x \$100 \$200	-0-
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						-0-

\* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

\*\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

A Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

Charge \$\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a \_\_\_ month extension is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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## PATENT APPLICATION

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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

April 18, 2006  
(Date of Deposit)

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E. Schlesinger April 18, 2006  
Signature Date of Signature